

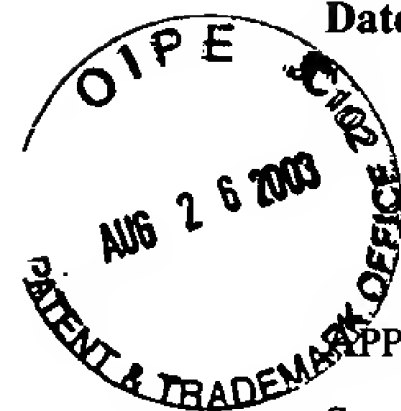
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1. Response to Office Action mailed June 12, 2003 (7 pgs.); and
2. Return Postcard.

This response is due on or before September 12, 2003 with no extension of time. The Commissioner is authorized to charge any fees that may be due to Deposit Account No. 50-0311, Reference No. 15966-638CIP1 (Cura-138CIP). A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is enclosed.

If the enclosed papers are considered incomplete, the Mail Room and/or the Application Branch is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned at 617/542-6000, Boston, Massachusetts.

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